

CONGRESSMAN HENRY A. WAXMAN NEWS

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MANYAN DENOUNCES SAUDI PEACE PLAN

Congressman Henry A. Waxman (D-Los Angeles) harshly denounced the Saudi

Arabian peace plan presented last week by Crown Prince Fahd. Waxman characterized

Fahd's proposal as "a blueprint for continued hatred and hostility in the Middle

East."

Waxman along with most observers found little new in what Fahd presented as a major new proposal.

"This proposal consists of a string of old discredited Arab propaganda cliches.

It is obviously intended to prove to the PLO and other radical elements in the

Arab world that the Saudis have not moderated their views."

Waxman said he was especially infuriated by the call in Fahd's proposal for a divided Jerusalem and the insistence on a Palestinian state on the West Bank.

Waxman said,

"The Crown Prince knows as well as I do that the Israelis will never yield sovereignty over even an inch of the united city of Jerusalem. He also knows that Israeli security needs absolutely preclude the consideration of a PLO-dominated state on the West Bank. The Fahd plan was not a peace gesture towards Israel. It was merely intended for consumption within the Arab world. The greatest move towards peace that the Saudis could make would be to cease their substantial financial support for PLO terrorism."